

Interprofessional Education: Collaborative Approaches to managing Long-term Conditions (IPE CALC)



This IPE activity is offered to students in health and social care professional programmes at the University of Otago and the Otago Polytechnic in Dunedin. Most students are in the third year of their degree programme.

IPE CALC is a collaborative learning activity centred around a non-communicable disease where a significant factor is smoking. Through the activity, students develop interprofessional competency in the areas of interprofessional communication, and clarification of their own health professional role and the role of others. They apply knowledge of a framework relevant to chronic health conditions and the impact these have on individuals, whānau and community.

Students are engaged over 5.5 hours. They complete preparation for the case scenario on which they will work in a facilitated session, as well as completing the online Ministry of Health Better Help for Smokers to Quit programme. In their facilitated session, students work in small interprofessional groups to formulate an interprofessional management plan for the case patient and their whānau.

Who are the students?

- Dentistry Year 3
- Medical Laboratory Science Year 3
- Medicine Year 3
- Nursing Year 2
- Occupational Therapy Year 2
- Oral Health Year 3
- Pharmacy Year 3
- Physiotherapy Year 3
- Social Services Year 3

Who are the facilitators?

Academic staff from participating health professional programmes of the University of Otago and Otago Polytechnic

What do students say?

"This was an interesting experience that helped me to appreciate what other health professions bring to the table"

"Able to meet and discuss issues with the group and hear different approaches, interesting to realise the range of factors we should be considering for the patient's health"

"I found the experience beneficial ... as it gave an insight of what sort of people I could be working alongside or referring clients to in the future"

"It was wonderful to utilise others' expertise in presenting our management plan"



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